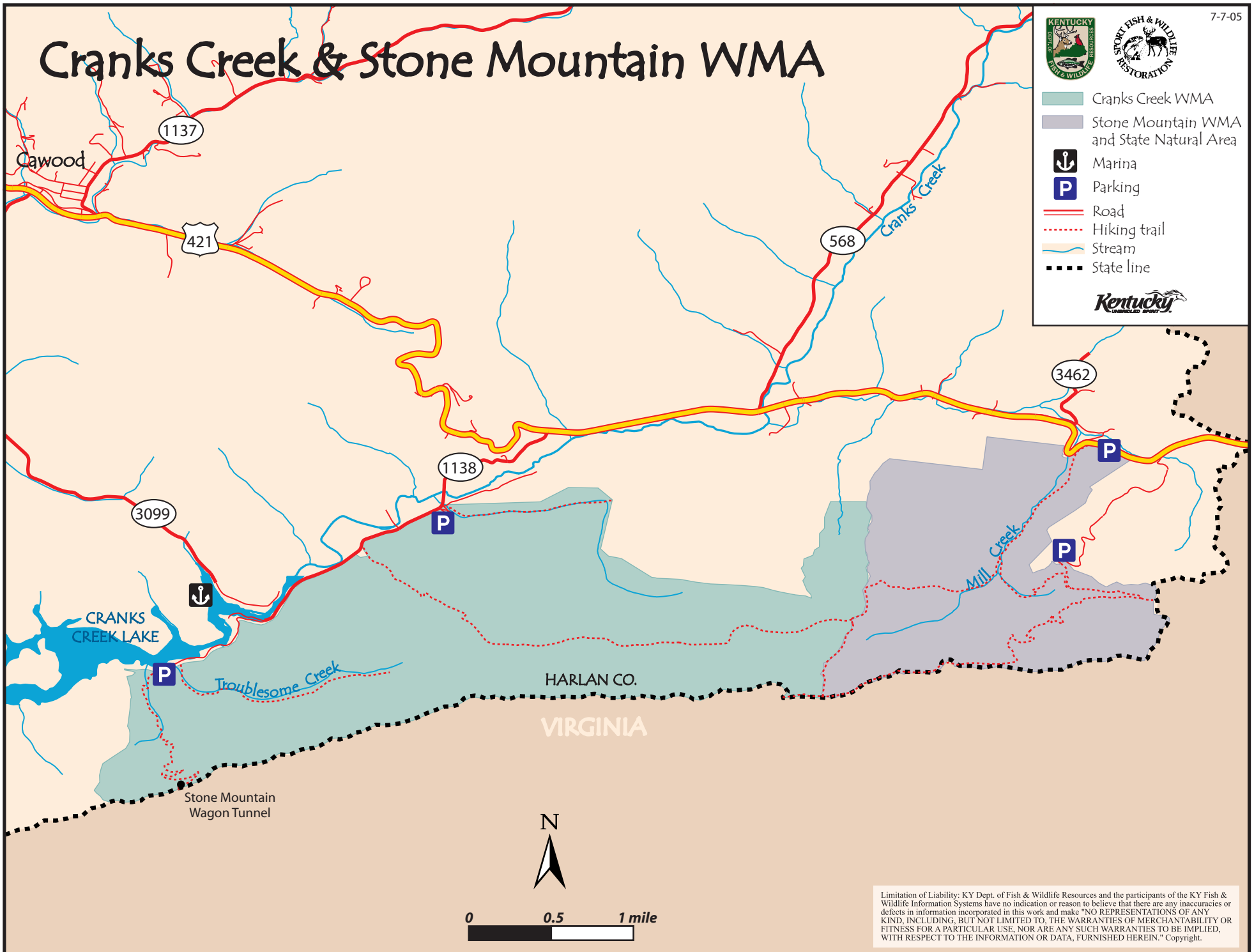


Cranks Creek & Stone Mountain WMA



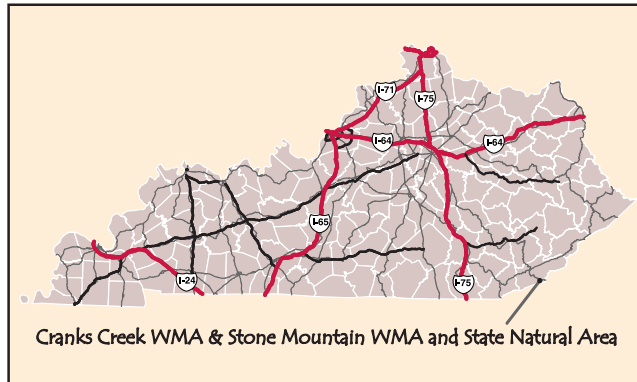
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- Cranks Creek WMA
- Stone Mountain WMA and State Natural Area
- Marina
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- Stream
- State line



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Cranks Creek and Stone Mountain WMA General Information



Directions:

From Harlan to Cranks Creek WMA: Travel approximately 12 miles southeast on US 421. Turn right on Hwy 1138. There are no internal roads on the area. Wagon Tunnel Road is open to foot travel only. **To get to Stone Mountain WMA from Harlan,** travel 15 miles southeast on US 421 and turn right.

WMA Information:

Cranks Creek WMA is located in southeastern Harlan County and shares its southern border with Virginia. It borders Herb Smith/Cranks Creek Lake along the northwest corner and Stone Mountain WMA and State Natural Area on

the east side. The 600-acre Smith-Young Tract (a gift from Phillip Smith and Mac Young) connects the original tract with the 190-acre Hedrick Tract (a gift from Herman Hedrick). The Hedrick Tract includes the unique wagon tunnel at the top of Stone Mountain. This tunnel once provided the primary access between Harlan and Virginia.

Cranks Creek WMA consists of 2,167 acres of mountainous, steep terrain with long, deep hollows. The area is forested with no permanent openings. Elevations range from 1,420 feet to 2,890 feet above sea level. Good to moderate populations of deer, turkey, grouse, squirrel, furbearers and songbirds exist on the area. The area is open under statewide regulations for all game species.

Stone Mountain WMA and State Natural Area is located in south central Harlan County and consists of 1,025 acres of steep, mountainous terrain. This area was purchased with Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation funds and is jointly owned and managed by the Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources and the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission. The area is entirely forested with the exception of a dry man-made lakebed. Good to moderate populations of squirrel, rabbits, deer, turkey and songbirds exist on the area. The area is open under statewide regulations for small game, turkey, and deer seasons. See the Fall Hunting and Trapping Guide for additional information concerning hunting seasons on both of these WMAs.

WMA Management Objectives:

The management objectives on the WMAs are:

- 1) to manage wildlife areas toward the creation, enhancement, and sustainability of permanent wildlife habitats and populations;
- 2) to manage areas for the preservation and enhancement of public outdoor recreational opportunities;
- 3) restore wildlife species to their natural habitats;
- 4) to provide opportunities for fish and wildlife education;
- 5) to provide demonstrations of sound wildlife management practices.

General Guidelines:

All specific information on area use for hunting, fishing, and other activities can be found in one of the many guides published by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources or by calling 1-800-858-1549.

1. Vehicles must remain on maintained roads.
2. Parking is limited to areas provided near gates and graveled areas.
3. Do not block gates or access roads.
4. Access beyond gates is by foot travel only.
5. No ATV's, camping, open fires, or horseback riding is permitted on WMAs. Except ATV's are allowed on designated ADA areas with proper permits and horseback riding is allowed on designated horseback riding trails as marked on the map. Not all WMAs have ADA areas or horseback riding trails.
6. Access to the WMA across private land is by landowner permission only.
7. Please respect private property. Area boundaries are marked by signs and yellow paint.
8. Hunters shall not discharge a firearm within 100 yards of a boat ramp, a residence, or occupied building. This applies whether or not the building is on the WMA.
9. Please refer to the current Kentucky Hunting and Trapping and Sport Fishing and Boating Guides for hunting, fishing and boating information.

Telephone Numbers:

WMA Manager:

606-878-9595

KDFWR Information line:

1-800-858-1549

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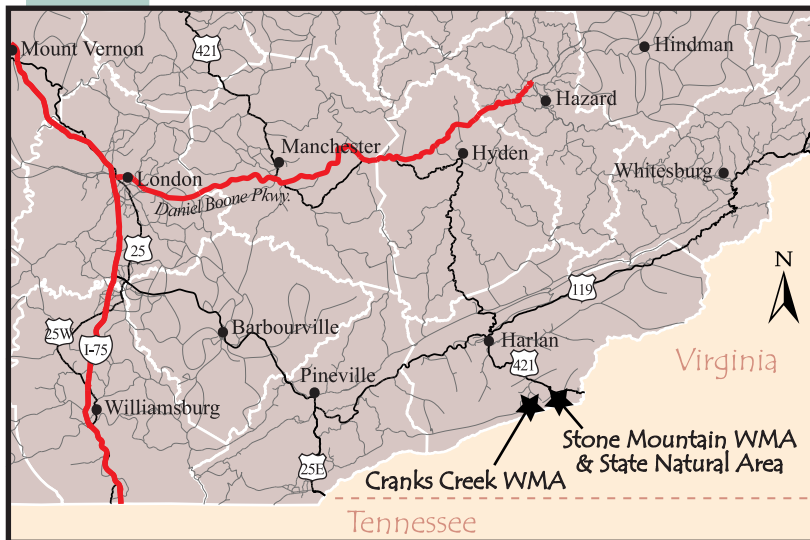
1-800-CHK-GAME (1-800-245-4263)

Licenses/Quota hunt applications:

1-877-598-2401

To Report Wildlife Violations Only:

1-800-25A-LERT (1-800-252-5378)



Website: fw.ky.gov

KDFWR mailing address: KY Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources, #1 Sportsman's Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601